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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listing of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended) A hair treatment composition comprising 1)-i)from 0.2 wt.% to 3 wt.% of a disaccharide selected from trehalose, cellobiose or mixtures thereof; and-ii) a di-acid and (iii) a guanidinium salt, wherein the guanidinium salt and disaccharide are present in the composition in a weight ratio of guanidinium salt to disaccharide of from 1:10 to 4:1.

Claim 2 (Previously Presented) A hair treatment composition according to claim 1 in which the disaccharide is trehalose.

Claim 3 (Previously Presented) A hair treatment composition according to claim 1 in which the di-acid has the formula:

HOOC-(CH₂)_n-COOH

Where n is an integer from 2 to 8.

Claim 4 (Previously Presented) A hair treatment composition according to claim 3 where n equal to 2 or 4.

Claim 5 (Cancelled)

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Claim 6 (Currently Amended) A hair treatment composition according to claim 5-1 in which the guanidinium salt is a carbonate.

Claim 7 (Previously Presented) A hair treatment composition according to claim 1 further comprising a surfactant.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended) A hair treatment composition according to claim 1 comprising an aqueous base <u>further comprising water</u>.

Claim 9 (Withdrawn) Use of a composition according to claim 1 for smoothing hair.

Claim 10 (Withdrawn) Use of a composition according to claim 1 for aligning hair.

Claim 11 (Withdrawn) Use of a composition according to claim 1 for preventing damage to the hair.

Claim 12 (Withdrawn) A method of treating hair by applying a composition according to any one of claims 1 to 9 to the hair.

Claim 13 (New) A hair treatment composition according to claim 1 in which guanidinium salt and disaccharide are present in the composition in a molar ratio of guandinium salt to disaccharide of from 0.1:1 to 2:1.

Claim 14 (New) A hair treatment composition according to claim 1 having a pH in the range of pH 3-5.

Claim 15 (New) A hair treatment composition according to claim 1 wherein the weight ratio of guanidinium salt to disaccharide is from 2:1 to 1:2.